# Thig 5.10 — Thig 5:10 Paṭācārā

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## Text

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[I thought:]

“Plowing the field with plows,

sowing the ground with seed,

supporting their wives & children,

young men gather up wealth.

So why is it that I,

consummate in virtue,

a doer of the teacher's bidding,

don't gain unbinding?

I'm not lazy or proud."

Washing my feet, I noticed

the

water.

And in watching it flow from high

to

low,

my heart was composed

like a fine thoroughbred steed.

Then taking a lamp, I entered the hut,

checked the bedding,

sat down on the bed.

And taking a pin, I pulled out the wick:

Like the flame's1 unbinding

was the liberation

of awareness.

Note

1. Reading pajjotass'eva with the Thai edition.

## Publisher references (not part of the sutta)

See also: MN 72; SN 6:15; Ud 8:10